

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. A method for situation tracking comprising:
receiving an alert at a clearing house;
handling a public safety event based on the alert;
generating a notification in response to a subscriber profile and the event; and
determining a destination for the notification based on the subscriber profile.

2. (Amended) The method for situation tracking according to Claim 1 further comprising determining a type associated with the alert at the clearing house and wherein the event comprises a type indication, a location indication, a time indication, a date indication, an access level and event details. B col 7

3. (Amended) The method for situation tracking according to Claim 1, [wherein the event comprises a type indication, a location indication, a time indication, a date indication, an access level and event details] wherein the subscriber profile comprises a notify criteria, the notify criteria comprising a geographic distance around a first location indication, wherein the event comprises a second location indication and wherein generating a notification comprises determining whether the second location indication is within the geographic distance of the first location indication.

4. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 1 further comprising:

associating at least one information need with the subscriber profile, the information need comprising at least one event related item of interest to the subscriber;

comparing the information need to at least one of the events; and

determining at least one notification to be generated in response to a result associated with the comparison.

5. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 4, wherein the result comprises a selected event selected based on the comparison.

6. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 5, wherein generating the at least one notification comprises generating at least a portion of one web page based on the selected event and wherein the destination comprises a web site.

7. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 5, wherein generating the at least one notification comprises generating at least one electronic mail message based on the selected event and wherein the destination comprises an electronic mail address.

8. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 5, wherein comparing the information need comprises determining whether the subscriber, is allowed to access the event.

9. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 1, wherein handling the event comprising:

updating the event when the alert is updating an existing event; and

generating the event when the alert is associated with a new event.

10. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 1, wherein the subscriber profile comprises a generic profile.

11. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 10, wherein the generic profile comprises a media generic profile.

12. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 11, wherein generating the notification comprises:

comparing at least one criteria element associated with a notify criteria associated with the subscriber profile and at least one event element of the emergency event;

determining a match between the notify criteria and the emergency event based on the comparison; and

determining whether a media subscriber associated with the media generic profile has access to the matched events.

13. The method for situation tracking according to Claim 1, wherein generating the notification comprises: comparing at least one criteria element associated with a notify criteria associated with the subscriber profile and at least one event element of the emergency event; and

determining a match between the notify criteria and the emergency event based on the comparison.

17. A method for crime tracking comprising:
generating an alert from a mobile device associated with
a law enforcement vehicle;
communicating the alert to a server;
handling a crime event associated with the alert at the
server; and
generating a notification in response to a subscriber
profile and the event.

18. The method for crime tracking according to Claim 17,
wherein the alert comprises a type indication, a location
indication, a time indication, a date indication and a
payload.

19. The method for crime tracking according to Claim 17,
wherein generating the notification comprises: comparing at
least one criteria element associated with a notify criteria
associated with the subscriber profile and at least one event
element of the emergency event, wherein the criteria element
and the event element comprise a geographic location
associated with the event; and

determining a match between the notify criteria and the
emergency event based on the comparison.

20. A system for situation tracking comprising:

- a computer readable storage medium;
- an application stored in the computer readable storage medium and operable to:
 - receive an alert at a clearing house;
 - handling a public safety event based on the alert;
 - generate a notification in response to a subscriber profile and the event; and
 - determine a destination for the notification based on the subscriber profile.

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